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Cause No. PD-0181-17

IN THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS OF TEXAS

FILED COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS 8/21/2017 DEANA WILLIAMSON, CLERK

JUAN ANTONIO GONZALEZ

APPELLANT

V.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

APPELLEE

STATE'S SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO APPELLANT'S MOTION TO SET BAIL FOLLOWING REVERSAL ON APPEAL

COMES NOW, the State of Texas, appellee, in the above-styled cause, and files this, the State's supplemental response to appellant's motion to set bail following reversal on appeal, and would show the Court as follows:

I. Procedural history

On January 25, 2017, in an unpublished opinion, the Eighth Court of Appeals reversed Gonzalez's conviction for murder and remanded the case to the trial court. *See Gonzalez v. State*, No. 08-14-00293-CR, 2017 WL 360690 at *25 (Tex.App.–El Paso, Jan. 25, 2017, pet. granted) (not designated for publication). On May 17, 2017, this Court granted the State's petition for discretionary review, and on June 2, 2017, the State filed its PDR brief. Gonzalez filed his PDR reply

brief on July 19, 2017, and the case is currently set to be submitted on August 16, 2017.

On August 3, 2017, Gonzalez filed a motion for bail following reversal on appeal. The State filed its initial response to Gonzalez's bail motion on August 9, 2017, requesting that bail be set at an amount no less than \$2,000,000, which is no greater than Gonzalez's pretrial bail amount. The State now submits the following supplemental information in support of its request that bail be set in an amount no less than \$2,000,000.

II. Gonzalez's repeated inability to refrain from assaultive conduct when angered demonstrates that he will continue to express his anger in ways that threaten the safety of the community.

In its initial response to Gonzalez's bail motion, the State argued that Gonzalez's flippant attitude about physical violence, his disregard for its potential to inflict serious bodily injury or death, and the ease with which he can be provoked into extreme physical violence poses a threat to the community and warrants the setting of a high bond. *See* (State's initial response at 8-10). The evidence at trial demonstrated that as Gonzalez and his companions walked away from the deceased in this case, Jonathan Molina, who was still lying on the ground, Gonzalez was "really, really mad," complaining that he did not know why Molina yelled at him for no reason, that Molina had "really pissed [him] off," and

that Molina was not his father and was no one to be yelling at him like that.

(Reporter's Record, vol. 3 at 259-60, 262); (Reporter's Record, vol. 4 at 101).

The attached offense reports and witness statement reflect that on February 1, 2014, while awaiting trial in the El Paso County Jail for viciously and senselessly attacking Molina and causing his death, Gonzalez reportedly assaulted a fellow inmate, David Ayoub, for merely urinating in the jail-cell toilet:

Ayoub stated that while he was urinating in the toilet, Gonzalez confronted him because he said he considered it disrespectful for anyone to use the toilet in the cell while other inmates are in the cell. Ayoub stated that Gonzalez threatened him, stating that if he continued to be disrespectful he would get "Bopped." Ayoub stated that means he was threatening to assault him. Gonzalez then proceeded to [a]ssault Ayoub with a closed right fist to the left temple of [Ayoub] causing him pain....

See (Appendix L – offense reports). That Gonzalez, while awaiting trial for killing Molina by physically assaulting him, threatened and then physically assaulted a fellow inmate–striking him in the head–for something so trivial as relieving himself in the toilet provided in the jail cell for that purpose demonstrates that Gonzalez continues to exercise poor judgment when angered and that he will continue to express that anger in ways that threaten the safety of the community.

Again, the State requests that Gonzalez's bail be set at an amount no less than \$2,000,000, which is the same as his pretrial bond amount.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, the State prays that this Court sets the appellant's bail at an amount no less than \$2,000,000.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned does hereby certify that on August 14, 2017, a copy of the foregoing supplemental response was sent by email, through an electronic-filing-service provider, to appellant's attorney: Ruben P. Morales, rbnpmrls@gmail.com.

/s/ Lily Stroud LILY STROUD

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Investigative Supplement

Officer (4931) ESPARZA, JOSE M

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On 2/1/2014 at 0550hrs while assigned to pod 100 I was dispatched to cellblock 110 in reference to a possible assault in cell 106. Upon arrival I met with Inmate Ayoub, David SO# 9268285/VICTIM who stated that he had just been assaulted by Gonzalez, Juan DOB 03-06-95 SO# 9533686/ OFFENDER in cell 106 after eating breakfast at approximately 0547hrs. I noticed the Ayoub had a red mark and bruising to his left temple. Ayoub stated that while he was urinating in the toilet, Gonzalez confronted him because he said he considered it disrespectful for anyone to use the toilet in the cell while other inmates are in the cell. Ayoub stated that Gonzalez threatened him, stating that if he continued to be disrespectful he would get, "Bopped". Ayoub said that means he was threatening to assault him. Gonzalez then proceeded to Assault Ayoub with a closed right fist to the left temple of the VICTIM causing him pain. Ayoub said he then grabbed Gonzalez in order to protect himself and they fell to the ground. They were then separated by other inmates in the cellblock. I noticed Gonzalez had a red mark to his face from the scuffle. Both inmates were seen by the clinic staff for their injuries. Ayoub has been transferred for his safety. Ayoub stated that he did not give Gonzalez consent to assault him nor cause him pain. Ayoub does not wish to press charges at this time for being ASSUALTED.

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Additional Officer Supplements

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Officer (4931) ESPARZA, JOSE M

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On 02-01-14 at 0620hrs I escorted inmate Ayoub, David S.O.#9268285 to the clinic after he was involved in an assualt. He was seen for a red mark over his left temple by RN Nunez, Jennifer #5245. Inmate Ayoub was cleared to return to his cell. I then escorted him to releasing cell #10 pending transfer.

At 0630hrs I escorted inmate Gonzalez, Juan D.O.B. 03-06-1995 S.O.#9533686 to the clinic after being involved in an assualt. He was seen and treated for a scrape on the left side of his head by RN Gardea, Carla #5726. Inmate Gonzalez was cleared to return to his cell. I then returned him to cell 106.

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